

County of Los Angeles CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

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July 12, 2005

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES URBAN AREA FOR THE 2004 AND 2005 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE, AND FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY THROUGH THE LONG BEACH URBAN AREA FOR THE 2004 AND 2005 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AFFECTED) (4 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- Accept \$50,000 in grant funds from the Los Angeles 2004 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) to upgrade the Emergency Alert System. This grant is part of the Los Angeles Urban Area consisting of the City of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles, and sixteen cities with contiguous borders.
- 2. Accept \$1,000,000 in grant funds from the Los Angeles 2005 UASI to address planning and exercise activities for Homeland Security Presidential Directive 8: National Preparedness, to build an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism. This grant is part of the Los Angeles Urban Area consisting of the City of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles, and sixteen cities with contiguous borders.
- 3. Accept \$65,000 in grant funds from the Long Beach 2004 UASI to purchase equipment as part of the Joint Regional Information Exchange System (JRIES) that will enhance terrorism incident prevention and communications. This grant is part of the Long Beach Urban Area consisting of the City of Long Beach, the County of Los Angeles, and seven cities with contiguous borders.

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- 4. Accept \$50,000 in grant funds from the City of Long Beach 2005 UASI to exercise needs of large urban areas and to build an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism. This grant is part of the Long Beach Urban Area consisting of the City of Long Beach, the County of Los Angeles, and seven cities with contiguous borders.
- 5. Approve Appropriation Adjustments in the amount of \$1,165,000 to recognize additional funding from these grants in 2005-06 (Attachment A).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Department of Homeland Security has released grant monies to enhance the capacity of local emergency, prevention, and response agencies to prepare for and respond to incidents of terrorism involving weapons of mass destruction. Funds provided under these grants are designed to address the unique needs of large urban areas. Funds can be used for equipment, training, exercises, and planning. The urban areas are chosen based on a formula that takes into account factors including critical infrastructure, population density, and credible threat information. Funding allocations are based on an urban area assessment and strategic plan.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Access to these grant funds addresses the following County Strategic Plan goals:

- Goal No. 1: Service *Excellence*, Strategy 1 Develop standards for user-friendly service by improving the ability of first responder agencies to deal with terrorism.
- Goal No. 2: Workforce Excellence, Strategy 2 Create a positive workforce by providing assistance to develop the tools necessary to respond to any emergency, including terrorism.
- Goal No. 3: Organizational Effectiveness, Strategy 3 Collaborate across functional and jurisdictional boundaries by supporting integration of the National Incident Management System and the National Response Plan into County and Operational Area plans, and increasing preparedness in the Operational Area through exercises.
- Goal No. 4: Fiscal Responsibility, Strategy 2 Invest in public infrastructure by providing grant funds to upgrade the Operational Area Emergency Alert System used to communicate with local government to improve response to incidents within the community.

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- Goal No. 5: Children's and Families' Well-Being, Strategy 2 Engage departments in planning efforts towards achieving the five outcomes for children and families by enhancing their safety and survival.
- Goal No. 8: *Public Safety*, Strategy 3 Expand the capacity of County departments by supporting integration of the National Incident Management System and the National Response Plan into County and Operational Area plans, and increasing preparedness in the Operational Area through exercises.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The UASI grants are fully funded by the Department of Homeland Security through the Los Angeles Urban Area Security Initiative and the Long Beach Urban Area Security Initiative. There is no cost-share or matching fund requirement.

Approval of the Appropriation Adjustment will increase the 2005-06 budget for the Office of Emergency Management by \$1,165,000. The UASI funds will be used for the following: 1) to upgrade the County's Emergency Alert System; 2) to develop plans and guidance to meet the requirements of the National Incident Management System and the National Response Plan; 3) to purchase communications equipment to enhance the JRIES; and 4) to develop and implement exercises to enhance and sustain the capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from threats or acts of terrorism.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Homeland Security, through the Los Angeles Urban Area Security Initiative and the Long Beach Urban Area Security Initiative, provided the Los Angeles County Operational Area with specific guidelines for the administration and management of these grants. These guidelines detail the activities and expenditures that are allowable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Emergency planning, communications, and exercises are all critical responsibilities of local government. These funds will allow the Office of Emergency Management to begin to address the goals of Homeland Security Presidential Directives 5 and 8 to integrate the National Response Plan and National Incident Management System with County and Operational Area plans, and to lay a foundation for compliance with the National Preparedness Goals. The funds will also be used to develop and implement exercise programs to improve performance throughout the disaster cycle, and to upgrade the current Emergency Alert System.

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CONCLUSION

Upon execution by the Board of Supervisors, please send an adopted copy of this action to the Office of Emergency Management for processing.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. JANSSÉN

Chief Administrative Officer

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Attachment

c: County Counsel Auditor-Controller

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT'S NO. 060

DEPARTMENT OF

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

JULY 12

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AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

4 VOTES FISCAL YEAR 2005-06

SOURCES:

USES:

Chief Administrative Office Emergency Preparedness & Response Intergovernmental Revenue - State A01-BS-12600-8831 \$1,165,000

Chief Administrative Office Emergency Preparedness & Response Services and Supplies A01-BS-12600-2000 \$1,165,000

Appropriation adjustment is necessary to accept \$50,000 in grant funding from the 2004 Los Angeles Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), \$65,000 from the 2004 Long Beach Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), \$1,000,000 from the 2005 Los Angeles UASI and \$50,000 from the 2005 Long Beach UASI. The Department of Homeland Security has released UASI funds to enhance local emergency, prevention and response agencies' abilities to prepare for and respond to incidents of terrorism involving weapons of mass destruction. These funds will be used for to hire contractors for exercise and planning to comply with the National Preparedness Goal.

Rick Hong, Budget Officer

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR	ACTION	APPROVED AS REQUESTED	AS REVISED
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